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CLAIMS:

1. Device for controlling a display screen having an actuating element which can be rotated about a longitudinal axis and moved in the direction of the longitudinal axis, enabling a point of a menu structure consisting of menu, partial menus, function and/or function values to be selected and to be displayed as an optically highlighted field in the display screen, the actuating element having an initial position and being able to carry out an additional movement thereto with two additional degrees of freedom, characterized in that the additional movement of the actuating element enables a field arranged in a marginal region of the display screen and associated with a point of the menu structure to be selected, and in that the rotary/longitudinal movement of the actuating element enables a subordinate field of the menu structure associated with the field in the marginal region of the display screen to be selected in the central region of the display screen enclosed by the marginal region.

2. Device according to Claim 1, characterized in that the actuating element can carry out a wobbling movement as the additional movement.

3. Device according to Claim 1, characterized in that the actuating element can carry out a parallel displacement as the additional movement.

4. Device according to Claim 2 or 3, characterized in that the actuating element is forcibly guided for the additional movement.

5. Device according to one of Claims 1 to 4, characterized in that the actuating member carries out a reversible additional movement.

6. Device according to Claim 5, characterized in that the actuating element carries out the additional movement against the effect of a spring.

7. Device according to one of Claims 1 to 6, characterized in that the points arranged in the marginal region are optically highlighted during and/or after the additional movement and are selected only when the actuating element is at least approximately back in the initial position.

8. Device according to one of Claims 1 to 7, characterized in that, when the field is selected in the marginal region, the assigned selectable fields in the central

region are automatically indicated.

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